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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to Deny your refund request in the amount of \$260.00, for patent/serial number 09580874.

The refund is denied, because when you first filed, you had multiple claims and \$260.00 went for the multiple claims fee.

Sincerely,

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